GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1696
ANSWERED ON:04.12.2006
IMPORT OF VANASPATI FROM SRI LANKA
Sidhu Shri Navjot Singh

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government has received representations from Vanaspati Manufacturers regarding check on import of Vanaspati from Sri Lanka for providing remunerative price to domestic producers;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) The reaction of the Government thereto ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION(DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a),(b)&(c) : Yes, Sir. The representations received from Vanaspati Consultative Committee and Vanaspati Manufacturers` Association of India in this regard has been considered by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. The total quantum of import of vanaspati including bakery shortening and margarine under India Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement (ISLFTA) has been restricted to 2.5 lakh MT per annum as per the arrangements indicated in the Public Notice No. 69 dated 21.11.2006 issued by Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT).